

State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY
GOVERNOR

WORLD DIABETES DAY

2007

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, November 14, has been designated as World Diabetes Day since 1991 by the International Diabetes Federation and the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2006, diabetes became the first chronic disease to have an United Nations Day observance; and

WHEREAS, the focus of the 2007 World Diabetes Day is children and adolescents; and

WHEREAS, worldwide, Type 1 Diabetes is growing by 3% per year in children and adolescents, and in the United States Type 2 Diabetes represents up to 45 percent of new-onset diabetes in children; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has projected that children found to have Type 2 Diabetes at age 10 will see their lives shortened by 19 years; and

WHEREAS, in North Carolina rates of overweight and obesity among children are greater than the national average, and these children are at high risk for developing type 2 diabetes; and

WHEREAS, in North Carolina, there are more than 8,500 children with diabetes; and

WHEREAS, life for those children involves a complex matrix of self monitoring, medications and mindfulness of the link between physical activity and healthy eating; and

WHEREAS, even in tightly controlled diabetes there is an increased risk of amputations, blindness, heart disease, kidney failure and stroke; and

WHEREAS, The North Carolina Diabetes Prevention and Control Program in partnership with WakeMed Health and Hospitals is diffusing the innovation of the clinically-proven, pediatric diabetes prevention program, Energize, with initial funding from the North Carolina General Assembly;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 14, 2007, as "**WORLD DIABETES DAY**" in North Carolina and encourage our citizens to support health promotion efforts to eliminate Type 2 Diabetes and research to find a cure for Type 1 Diabetes.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capital in Raleigh this first day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-second.